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SOME BASEBALL DOPE GIVEN BY CATCHER HENRY

Washington Backstop Talks
Interestingly to Employed
Boys of Y. M. C. A.

John Henry, the star catcher of the All-American baseball team, gave the employed boys' clubs of the Y. M. C. A. a big treat last evening when he discoursed for an hour on major league baseball and famous players he has known. Henry talked intimately of inside baseball, spring training camps, the recent world series, some amusing incidents of the present tour, and closed by telling about the famous players and managers of the day.

"Walter Johnson is the best pitcher in the world," said Henry, who has handled his wonderful delivery. "Johnson is a tall, well-built, good looking pitcher, who has a reach of 84 1/2 inches from finger tip to finger tip with his arms outstretched. This, combined with his long fingers which reach almost around a baseball, will account for his marvelous speed. Johnson is also a very heavy pitcher and gives most of his own signals."

"Ty Cobb is the greatest all-around player who ever wore a spiked shoe," continued Henry. "Cobb can steal second on any catcher and pitcher who ever lived or ever will live at any time he wants to. He has the baseball instinct and always knows just what to do at bat, on the bases and in the field."

Henry considers Napoleon Lajoie the heaviest hitter he has ever seen. He has for several seasons caught behind the big Cleveland infielder and hasn't found anything he can't hit. A fast ball over the center of the plate is the only thing Henry has found effective against Lajoie because he is never looking for it.

Christy Mathewson was described as the headiest pitcher in the game. His arm is on the decline but he is a wiser twirler than ever and makes his fielders do most of the work. Mathewson only uses his best goods when it is necessary with men on the bases.

"Speaker is a wonderful ground-coverer and he has perhaps the best throwing arm of any outfielder in the game," said Henry. "Although a left-handed thrower, he is marvelously accurate."

Eddie Collins was described as the backbone of the celebrated \$100,000 infield of the Philadelphia Athletics. Henry said that Collins cut off more safe hits by his sensational fielding than any player he knew. He is also a great hitter and base runner.

Clyde Milan, one of Henry's teammates, is another champion base stealer, who knows by instinct just when to start. "Bases are stolen on the pitcher in the big leagues and not on the catcher as a rule," declared Henry.

Hans Wagner was vividly described by the Washington backstop. "Wagner has the biggest hands I ever saw and is very bow-legged. But when he gets his meaty hands on the ball, it's sure death for the batter."

Henry told some great stories on the eccentric Rube Waddell which brought down the house. His penchant for chasing to fires even when he was in uniform on the coaching lines was a source of keen amusement. His disappearance for three days in St. Louis after pitching a winning game for the Athletics and then showing up as leader of a German band, wielding the baton proudly at the front and respectfully saluting Connie Mack and owner Shibe as the band marched down the street was a new and side-splitting story on the once famous pitcher.

Henry's applause and cheers from all the boys present followed Henry's splendid talk and he will be followed with great interest by the Y. M. C. A. boys fans who will watch his future work in the big league games.

COMPANY H AND HOSPITAL CORPS PLAY THIS EVENING

The indoor baseball series of the National Guard opens tonight, when Company H and the Hospital Corps meet on the armory floor. The game will be called at 8 o'clock and the regular drill of H company has been suspended for this evening in order that the entire company may be on hand to root for the team. The "pill rollers" will also have a delegation on hand to help them along.

JAPAN SENDING MORE RED CROSS NURSES TO WAR ZONE OF EUROPE

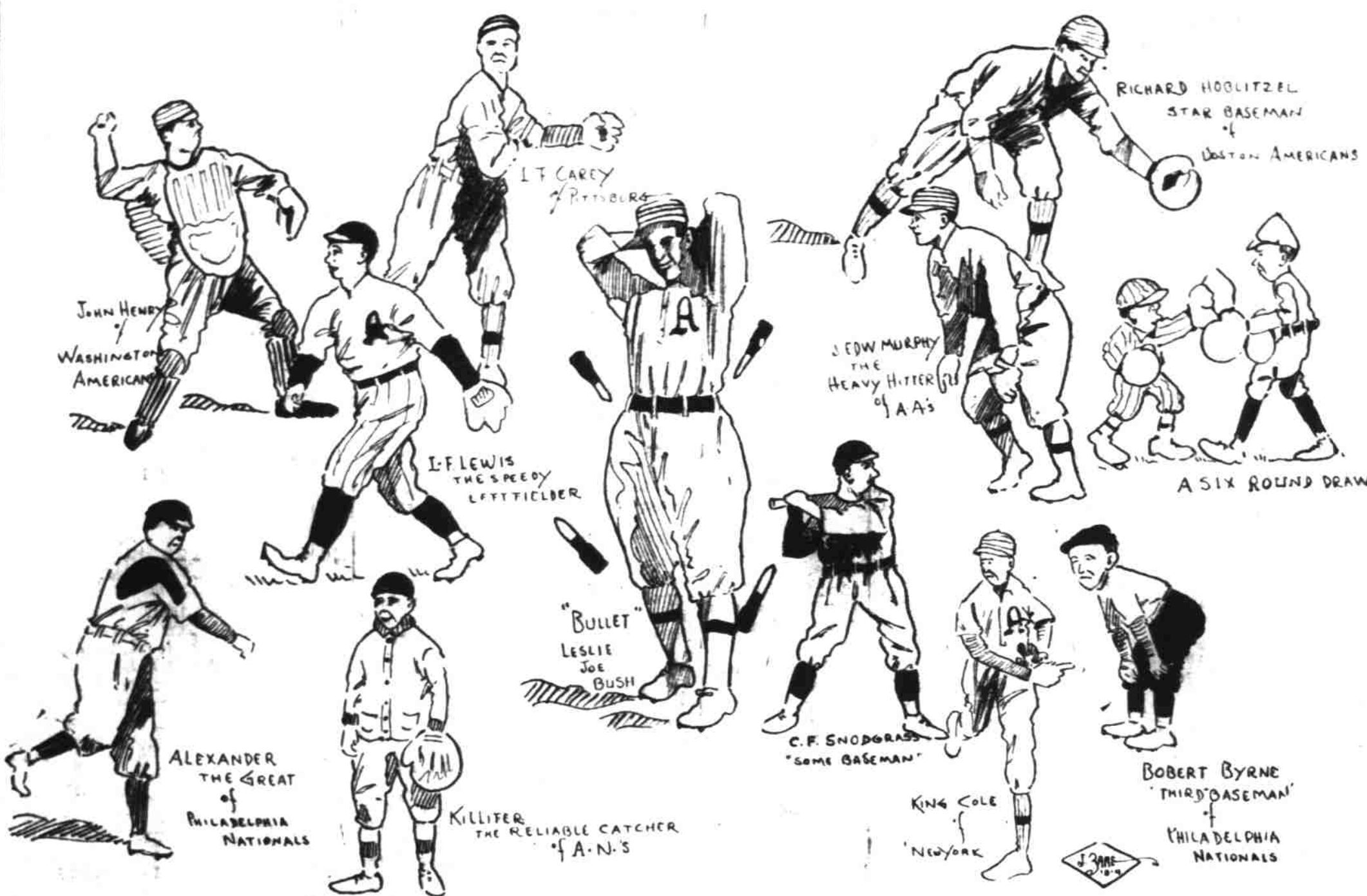
(By Latest Mail.)
TOKYO, Japan, Dec. 15.—The Japanese Red Cross Society has decided to send a party of Red Cross workers to England.

The party will leave Yokohama on December 19, sailing on the Shinyo Maru via America to Southampton.

The Red Cross party to France will leave on December 16 for Marseilles, as has been reported.

Some of the nurses who are to go with the party to England have had experience in the Russo-Japanese war. One nurse, Miss Hosoya, served in China during the revolution there. In fact, all are veteran nurses and they are expected to bring much honor to their country by their relief work in Europe.

Visiting Major League Players as Seen by a Chinese Cartoonist



The cartoon above was drawn by J. Zane, a clever young Chinese artist and caricaturist of Honolulu. He was the winner of first prize in the recent Star-Bulletin baseball players' contest, taking first place out of more than 500 competitors.

HAWAII TRIM OLYMPICS IN CLOSE GAMES

Clubs	W.	L.	Pct.
XX Club	6	0	1000
Washingtons	7	2	778
Hawails	5	4	556
P. C. C. L.	2	7	222
Olympics	1	8	111

The Hawails took two games out of three from the Olympics in the Y. M. C. A. intermediate bowling league last evening. In the first game the Hawails were strong and won 667 to 595. The Olympics captured the second 627 to 563, but the Hawails came back and won the third in a hot finish.

Better scores were the rule last evening for most of the intermediate bowlers. Captain Sing of the Olympics totaled 496, with Sam Kahalewai of the Hawails only a single pin behind. Kahalewai had high game with 181.

Tonight the Triangles and Ancients bowl in the Senior Club League at 7:45. Tomorrow evening the decisive match of the intermediate series between the Washingtons and XX Club will take place at 8 o'clock.

Last night's scores:

Hawails	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Roch	123	74	111	308
Akama	111	111	111	333
Fernandez	102	102	102	306
Haneberg	103	113	218	434
Silva	105	92	123	320
Kellipuleole	164	153	127	444
Kahalewai	173	141	181	495

Totals 667 563 657 1887

Games—

Olympics	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Peck	129	89	124	342
Hughes	78	82	88	248
Reld	108	109	141	358
Nelson	100	180	106	386
Sing	170	167	159	496

Totals 596 627 618 1840

VETERANS ARE LOST TO THE CRIMSON TEAM

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—With the 1914 season closed successfully by the victory over Yale, Harvard football enthusiasts are surveying the material for next season. Head Coach Percy D. Haughton, in his eighth year as mentor of the Crimson's football team, and the last one under his present contract, will lose most of the men who worked for Harvard's success at New Haven. Only three of the eleven men who started the game will return to college. Fifteen of the 25 players who won their letter will be lost to the team.

The crack kicking and running half-back, Edward Z. Mahan, is the probable choice for captain to succeed Charles Brickley. Parson, who was impressed from the crew squad to fill left tackle, and Wallace, placed at center late in the season, are the other two regulars remaining. The members of last year's winning eleven, J. L. Gilman and Ross Cowan, both line-men who have been prevented by faculty restrictions from playing recently, are expected to return.

GENERAL FALLING OFF IN BATTING MARKED NATIONAL LEAGUE SEASON

[Associated Press]
NEW YORK.—A comparison of the official batting averages of the National League for the seasons of 1913 and 1914 develops some interesting and puzzling features. Including all those players who participated, in any manner, in fifteen or more games each season the roster for this year shows 188 names against 182 twelve months ago. Notwithstanding this increase in the total number of batters enrolled in the records but 15 of the 1914 hitters hammered their way into the .200 or better ranks, while in 1913 the select list included 23 names.

When these lists are again reduced, by eliminating all those players who did not participate in at least 50 games or approximately one-third of the season, the record shows that 14 batters qualified in 1913 to nine this season. Of this number but four, Danbert, Becker, Wheat and Magee appear in both lists. Whether the pitching which the batters faced during 1914 was better than a year ago or a sort of sympathetic slump existed in the National League it is impossible to state but the fact remains that a number of those who batted their way into the .300 class in 1913 could not duplicate the feat during the past summer.

Cravath of the Philadelphia club hit .341 in 1913 and .298 in 1914. Viox of Pittsburgh dropped from .317 to .265; Zimmerman of Chicago from .313 to .296; Chief Meyers of New York from .312 to .286; Lohert of Philadelphia from .300 to .275, and Wagner of Pittsburgh from .300 to .252. This was the first time since 1897 that Wagner dropped below .300 but this was not surprising in the case of Honus, for like other batting heroes of the past, Wagner was at last forced to bow to the all powerful arm of Father Time.

For the period from 1897 to 1913 inclusive Wagner had a grand average of .341. His highest mark was .380 made in 1900, and his lowest .300 made in 1913.

Another peculiar feature is that three of the four players who figure in the .300 or better class for both seasons increased their averages while all around them the heavy hitters were dropping below their last year's performances. Jake Daubert, the champion batter of the league for 1913 and 1914, fell from .350 to .329, but he was the exception to the general rule of the quartet.

Beals Becker raised his 1913 average of .316 to .325; Zach Wheat gained 18 points by batting .319 in place of .301 and Sherwood Magee moved up from .306 to .314.

The leading batters in other leagues, as shown by official and unofficial records, are as follows:

Name	Club	League	Games	P. C.
Deubert	Brooklyn	National	126	.329
Cobb	Detroit	American	96	.367
Kauf	Indianapolis	Federal	154	.368
Front	Trenton	Tri-State	82	.388
Huelsenman	Toronto	Canadian League	100	.349
Kaufman	Salt Lake	*Union Association	55	.441
La Flambois	Elmira	New York State	123	.329
Shaw	Emporia	Kansas State	72	.349
Stinson	Augusta	South Atlantic	69	.344
Wilhoit	Macon	South Atlantic	121	.322
Pembroke	Victoria	North Western	138	.322
Miller	Pendleton	Western Tri-State	88	.349
Harrison	Wasau	Wisconsin-Illinois	72	.333
Barth	Madison	Wisconsin-Illinois	115	.310
Morse	Medicine Hat	Western Canada	80	.367
Nixon	Regina	Western Canada	127	.344
Smith	Waterbury	Eastern Association	40	.357
Barney	Waterbury	Eastern Association	93	.332
Grimes	Hartford	Eastern Association	118	.326
Thrasher	Bay City	South Michigan	139	.386
Gray	Richmond	Virginia League	54	.331
Bond	Norfolk	Virginia League	104	.325
Towne	Richmond	Virginia League	141	.323
Gettman	Duluth	Northern League	103	.346
Dukette	Norfolk	Nebraska League	57	.341
Graudette	Nebraska	Nebraska League	109	.336
Sheeham	New England	Colonial League	48	.329
Fisher	Woonsocket	Colonial League	94	.321
Schleibner	Terre Haute	Central League	133	.340
Lejune	Portland	Pacific Coast League	139	.355
	Omaha	Western League	400	
	Sioux City	Western League	390	

* Disbanded.

ly, and Soucy, who limped on to the field for a moment yesterday, are expected to be available.

C. A. Coolidge, R. Curtis and J. L. Bigelow, linemen; R. S. King and G. A. McKinlock, backs, and S. D. C. Watson, who filled in well at quarterback when Logan was injured, are the hold-over substitutes who earned their letter yesterday. Wilcox, a fleet back, is one of several promising reserves who did not get into the game.

The 1918 class team will send several stars to the varsity squad. These include Knight, the spectacular full-back and captain; Robinson, another successful drop-kicking halfback; Murray and Taylor, quarterbacks, and several strong linemen. End material for next year's varsity is lacking, and it is probable that Soucy, center against Yale last year, will be developed further in that direction. The class of 1915, unusually prolific

GOLFING HINTS.

By "Straight Drive."

LIGHT CLUBS.—The man who is ambitious to improve his game will do well to avoid the temptation of thinking the heavier the club the longer the ball he can get with it. The whole field of experience is against such results.

If you will pick up the club of the best professional you know the chances are ten to one that you will find his clubs are much lighter than the ones you use. He has found that to get greater speed into the shots and better control by shunning heavy clubs.

The shorter a man's swing the heavier club he can use to advantage, but it is best to learn to use comparatively light ones. As a matter of fact, I have seen several players get surprisingly improved results by using their wives' clubs.

During the Yale-Harvard football game, the Yale Undergraduate Red Cross Relief Committee took up a collection that amounted to \$7,643.

Three engines were destroyed in a fire at the New York Central railroad roundhouse, the Bronx. The loss was \$100,000.

Time of quarters—15 minutes. Referee—Lieut. Philcox. Umpire—Lieut. McAndrew. Headlinesman—Lieut. Mathews.

There are two games scheduled at Fort Shafter, one Saturday between the 2nd Infantry and Marines and the other Sunday between the 1st Infantry and Engineers. Both games will be called at 2:30 p. m. sharp and should be the best games yet played, as the teams are evenly matched and fighting hard for a place.

No admission is charged on the reservation and everybody is welcome.

BUSBY BALL PLAYED IN COMPANY SERIES

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This victory of I makes G a fellow tenant of L in the sub-basement, each having annexed one fateful game out of the total string played. The second of the daily double-header was more to the point as an exhibition, particularly on the part of D's nine.

Jackson was on the mound with Lieut. Lyman receiving for I, and a right merry pace the team set for B, winning handsily by the score of 12 to 0 and under wraps all the way. D Company now has a percentage of 1000 and though F has the same high figure, the former has played one more game and the odds are therefore on D at the present time.

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SPORTSMEN MAKE GOOD FIGHTERS IN FRENCH ARMY

[Associated Press]
PARIS.—A "good sport," in the athletic sense of the term, ought to make a good fighter. The European war seems to demonstrate it.

Nearly all the football stars of France are either on the "gridiron" of Flanders or rushing the German lines along the Aisne and they are making themselves heard from.

Augustin Jéze, a football star of Perpignan, in the 19th dragons, just mentioned in orders, was promoted lieutenant on the battlefield for having rescued a fallen comrade and carried him out of the fire zone under severe shell fire.

Planus, another mainstay of the French Sporting Association, was promoted lieutenant for rushing single-handed a detachment of Germans who were in the act of capturing a French cannon. He bayoneted them, one after another, and alone succeeded in bringing it back into the lines.

Cyclist and a very good work, both in the French and Belgian armies. As for the young ones, the rest of the Transvaal brothers, well known professional riders, were killed during the battle of the Aisne while charging the German trenches. Pellegri, Morin and Jauzin, crack cycle racers, were all killed during the battle of the Marne. Henri, Olivier, Denouat—all three members of the Racing Club football team—also were killed during the fighting around Lunéville. Rene Ellena, another favorite of Paris gridirons, was wounded at the taking of Altkirch.

Fencing circles have also furnished a number of good fighters, most of whom have been incorporated in the flying corps. Rouziers-Dorcieux, the hero of so many meetings on the field of honor, is a machine gunner on one of the armored aeroplanes. Georges Bretmayer is in the same service.

Jess Hermanus, champion oarsman of Europe, was decorated on the battlefield for heroic exploits in Belgium. Van-Houwaert, one of the leading long distance cycle racers, is in the commissary department of the Belgian army, while Constant le Marin, the wrestler, is working an automobile machine gun.

In France everything is being done to encourage the continuation of all sports as in times of peace.

MICHIGAN MAY PLAY HARVARD.

[Associated Press by Fed. Wireless.]
CHICAGO.—An invitation to meet Harvard for a football game next year was extended to the University of Michigan immediately after the Yale-Harvard game, and probably will be accepted, according to reports here. Michigan will reach a final decision at a meeting to be held before the holidays.

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